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AMENDMENT

In response to the Detailed Action mailed July 1, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Listing of Claims: begin on page 12 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.

An Appendix including a clean set of claims begins on page 15 of this paper.

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Ms. Julie Bichngoc Lieu Art Unit 2636 United States Patent and Trademark Office P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Ms. Lieu:

Please find my response to your detailed action of July 1, 2004 on the following pages.

Reference information is as follows:

Application Control Number:

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Title:

Methods and Apparatus for Controlling Electric
Appliances During Reduced Power Conditions

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The response is followed by a clean set of claims from 1 to 46. My assumption is that this clean set of claims would be more easily scanned for final patent issuance. If use of the claims labeled (original), (previously presented) and (canceled) are preferred, then this last set of clean claims in the appendix may be considered extraneous.

If prosecution of the application can be expedited by telephone, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at 978-689-9657. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Jay W. Gardner

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Enclosures